

FASA CRITICAL ISSUES 2017-2018

School Safety
Out-of-School Suspension
Early Learning Programs



SAFE SCHOOLS ALLOCATION 2002-2017

Year	Appropriation (\$)	Students Served
2002-2003	\$75,350,000	2,525,610
2011-2012	\$64,456,019	2,654,454
2017-2018	\$64,456,019	2,829,107

\$10,893,981 less than 15 years ago for 303,497 UFTE more students

Calculating for inflation over the last 15 years and workload increase it would be \$112,256,000 - almost double this school year's allocation.



SAFE SCHOOLS RECOMMENDATION

- ◉ Recommend an increase in Safe School Allocation for traditional public schools and charter schools to \$112,000,000



OUT-OF-SCHOOL SUSPENSION (OSS)

- ◉ Student discipline problems are second only to dissatisfaction with salary as to why teachers leave the profession.
- ◉ Student who have even one OSS are 10 times more likely to drop out of school.
- ◉ Florida has the highest OSS rate in the country.



OSS RECOMMENDATION

- Support legislation to require a public hearing by school boards every three years of the districts rules authorizing out-of-school suspension.
- See handout for additional recommendations.

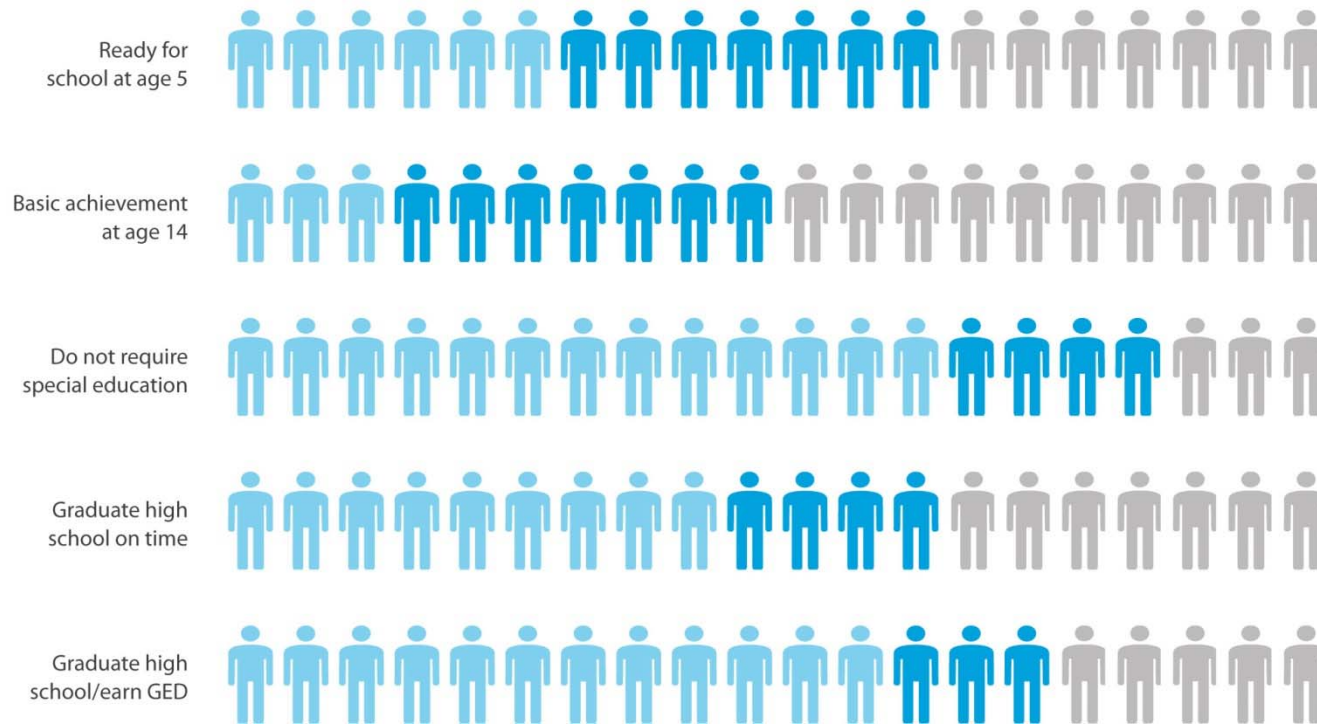


EARLY LEARNING PROGRAMS

How would early childhood education change the lives of **20 children** living in poverty?

Educational Benefits

Preschool ● No Preschool ●



EARLY LEARNING PROGRAMS

Lifelong Benefits

Five more adults
would earn
more than
\$2,000/month
by age 27



Car ownership
would increase by
37%



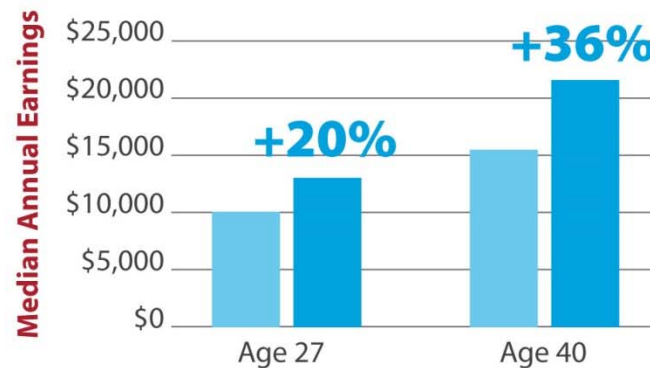
Home ownership
would increase by
32%

Twice as many men
would raise their
own children



46 **Fewer total arrests**
by age 27
(2.3 per person)

440 **Fewer lifetime months**
spent in prison
(22 per person)



EARLY LEARNING PROGRAMS

What's the return on **\$20** invested in early childhood education?



Participants in preschool programs earn **14%** more than they would have otherwise; additional lifetime earnings of **\$156,490**.

Source: Lifetime effects: The High/Scope Perry Preschool study through age 40. Ypsilanti: High/Scope Press, 2005.



EARLY LEARNING RECOMMENDATION

- ◉ Request language for to provide for a third party study of PreK funding, provider qualifications, training, curriculum, coordination, learning outcomes, and cost of PreK programs compared to other states to determine efficiency and effectiveness of Florida's programs.
- ◉ Additional recommendations on handout.



CONTACT

- ◉ Executive Director Juhan Mixon, Ed.D.

- Phone: (850) 224-3626
- Email: jmixon@fasa.net

- ◉ FASA Lobbyist Jessica Janasiewicz

- Rutledge | Ecenia Law Firm
- Phone: (850) 681-6788
- Email: jessica@rutledge-ecenia.com

